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PRIMARIES AND NOMINATIONS.

The statement that the party leaders have practically decided to hold a primary election to select delegates to the Gubernatorial Convention, instead of ward meetings as had been previously suggested, will be received with a great deal of satisfaction by the public of Richmond, and the reason is not obscure, for in a primary the workingman and the peace-lover, who is often the best citizen, has a chance to make his views heard which is often denied him absolutely by the ward meetings where judgment goes by clamor and choice by voci-

The primary when properly exercised and when only one question is before the people, comes as nearly giving the public wishes as can be obtained under any known form of government. There are great numbers of methods that have been discussed, such as giving the minority a chance to vote as was done in the Tyler-Ellyson fight of '97, but the details do not effect the spirit of the primary as opposed to ward meetings. It is a striking fact that when a question is brought before the people directly, as in voting to affirm or reject a Constitution or to choose between two candidates where sufficient inlerest is taken to bring out a large perrentage of the voters, the judgment of the people is more than apt to be sound And it should be so, for in a matter of this sort the second thought of the people is given a chance to make its weight felt. But when voters are required to go out at night after a hard day's work to a noisy and crowded hall, and amid the clamor and personalities of a hotly contested fight decide who they wish to send as delegates, a responsibility and a difficulty are presented that deter a great number of men whose judgment is of the utmost need to the welfare of the community from participating in the form of election so proposed, and the result is that the cry of ring rule is raised on the day after the election is held.

In Virginia it is doubly important that the primary be held in matters of this sort, for the nomination carries the certainty of election and the choice of the delegates carries the nomination, Every voter, therefore, is entitled to the best and surest known method of making his preference known and felt, for the public knowledge of the voters' wishes does the voter but little good unless he can see those wishes carried out.

We do not believe that it is the desire or intention of the leaders of the Democratic party in the city of Richmond to run the city in opposition to the wishes of the people, and we, therefore, take pleasure again in commending the City Committee for choosing the primary as the means of election of delegates to the Gubernatorial Convention.

WEST VIRGINIA'S NEW MOVE.

A correspondent of the Baltimore Sur writing from Parkersburg, W. Va., says that that State is likely to become the rival of New Jersey as the home of trusts, if the recommendation of the Governor is agreed to, and the prospect is that it will be, for it meets with the approval of leading Republican politicians who have influence over legislation. The correspondent adds that the Governor's recommendation, which will be made in his message to the Legislature to-day, is to take the limit off of the capital stock of corporations chartered in that State. At present no corporation may be incorporated in West Virginia with a capital of more than \$5,000,000. An effort was made at the last session of the Legislature to pass a bill to remove the limit, but the Democrats defeated it. The Republicans are now in control, however, and it is believed that the Governor's recommenda-

tion will be favorably acted upon. Of course the Republicans will be deterest of trusts," but the practical effect
of such legislation would doubtless be
of the columns of The Richmond Times or
some other gold standard Democratic

perhaps you will kindly publish the following in order that it may reach the eye of the responsible party.

The complaint is the dangerous condition of the Broad-Street Road beyond nounced for doing something "in the in-

West Virginia than to the advantage of the trusts. This is an age of combination, and in the regular order such combinations are going to be chartered. No State is going to gain anything by refusing to charter them, and the State that fights such corporations is going to accomplish nothing better than to drive capital away and discourage development. "Anti-trust legislation" has proven to be a flat failure wherever it has been enacted and has put the State which has enacted it in the attitude of being hostile to capital and enterprise. Several years ago Virginia had the opportunity to charter some large corporations which are now in existence, and if she had seized upon this opportunity it would have put a large sum of money into the public treasury and probably have located a number of enterprising corpora tions in the State. But through prejudice Virginia refused to have anything to do with these corporations that were applying for charters, and so they were forced to go to New Jersey for articles of incorporation. The New Jersey Legis lature saw the opportunity and seized upon it and improved it, and the result is that the State has made vast sums of money from charter fees and has encouraged investments.

The people of Virginia are not opposed to capital and are not disposed to discourage those who would make investments here. But the people got it into their heads that these so-called trusts were great evils and that it was morally wrong to encourage them. We do no censure them for taking this view, for we know that they were conscientious and no people ought to do a thing which they believe to be morally wrong in order that they may profit thereby, but it is none the less a fact that Virginia made a mistake which cost her thousands of dollars.

============ AN INLAND WATER WAY.

At a recent meeting of the Baltimore Board of Trade the Committee on Coast. wise Commerce presented a communication from the president of the Lake Drummond Canal and Water Company, which has an interest for Virginians The report reviewed the effort now being made before Congress to open up inland navigation through Albemarle, Croatan and Pamlico Sounds for vessels drawing not over sixteen feet of water, and the president stated that Congress would be asked to take up the project. The Board of Trade was asked to co-operate, and the committee expressed the opinion that in view of many advantages which would accrue to the whole Eastern Seaboard from the opening of an inland water way from Chesapeake Bay to the ocean south of Hatteras, it deserved most careful consideration from Congress. The Board of Trade adopted resolutions endorsing the project.

The late Marshall Parks, of Norfolk took this project up years ago and thoroughly investigated it. He wrote many articles on the subject and showed the great advantages that would accrue from such an inland water way. It was Mr. Parks' idea that the inland water way could be extended down to the Florida coast and so afford inland trans portation from the North to the extreme South.

Mr. Parks presented the matter, as we recoilect, to Congress, but he was unable to get an appropriation. The project is we believe, practicable, and such an inland water way would be of great advantage to commerce and would be in valuable to the United States in the event of a war with any foreign Power. Con gress may not be ready yet awhile to undertake the work, but the time is coming when it will be taken up and Mr Parks' scheme will be carried into effect

LIVE PAPER AND LIVE TOWN. South Boston is one of the livest and most progressive towns in Virginia, anthe twentieth century edition of th South Boston News is a splendid expo nent of the industries and commerce of the town. The paper is well printed elaborately illustrated and is filled wit interesting matter, statistical and other wise, relating to the general business of South Boston. The Times takes a gen uine pride in this sort of Virginia enter prise, for it shows that Virginians ar alive and are bestirring themselves to get their share of the prosperity which has now come. We congratulate ou South Boston contemporary upon its en terprise, and we congratulate the peopl of South Boston upon the creditable ex hibit that the News makes.

THEN AND NOW.

Two editorial articles have appeared re cently in the columns of our esteeme contemporary, the Lynchburg News, which interest us no little. One of these has te do with "Our Financial Stability," and the othe treats of "England, Our Friend." Referring to the failure of the London and Globe Finance Corporation, the News recalls that the failure of Baring Brothers in London several years ago was the be ginning of the financial depression which was felt throughout the commercial world in the early nineties, the effect in the United States being no less marked and no less disastrous than it was in England. "It required five or six years," says our contemporary, "to recover from the depression, but the recovery is now complete, the recent failures in London causing scarcely a ripple in the New York money market." The News declares that this fact is an indication that New York is becoming, if it has not already be come, the financial center of the world, and also indicates the changed attitude of the United States towards the money

markets of foreign countries, and it adds There is no danger now that any little flurry in Europe will send home a flood of American securities to be thrown on the market and create a panic. This country is no longer in a financial sense a de pendency of Europe liable to be thrown into a panic by any little flurry on the other side of the water. From being a debtor nation it is now a creditor nation with plenty of money for home enterprise, and a surplus for foreign investments The credit of our Government is above suspicion and government bonds bearing only two per cent, interest find ready pur chasers at home and abroad. Nobody nov fears that the crash in London will be followed by disastrous effects in the United ly in our favor, and it is no longer neces sary to send gold abroad to pay for imported goods and there is every reason to believe that the excess of exports will

newspaper. But the Lynchburg News is a party regularity paper and gave Bryan and the Chicago platform its cordial support in 1826. However, the News is an honest paper and a frank paper, and it is not afraid to tell the truth even though the truth hurts, and even though the truth be a complete vindication of the position assumed by the gold standard newspapers in 1896.

The article on England is of the same sort to the extent that it is a complete departure from the argument employed by free silver newspapers four years ago. The News says that it is a matter of surprise that so many Americans seem to entertain a feeling of bitter hostility towards England, our mother country, and to seize every opportunity for expressing their distrust and dislike of the British Government and the British people. It then goes on to speak of the blood ties between the people of England and the people of the United States, and points out the many things that we have in common It also lavs stress on the fact that, leaving sentiment out of consideration, Great Britain and her colonies are by far the best customers for American products, and that if we should destroy our commerce with the British islands and the British colonies a blow would be struck at American prosperity from which we should not recover in a hundred years.

The Times has been preaching that doc trine for years and many of our contemporaries have severely criticised us therefor, declaring that we had a bad case of Anglophobia and that we were in favor of the gold standard because we were in sympathy with Great Britain, and that we were in sympathy with Great Britain because we were in favor of the gold standard. It is, therefore, the more interesting, not to say the more gratifying, to us that an intelligent newspaper like the Lynchburg news, which has been opposed to the gold standard, should now concur in the views which this paper has for so long a time entertained and so often expressed.

CURRENT TOPICS. The statistician of the Department of Agriculture has supplied the New York "Times" with a statement for several years of the quantity and farm value of leading crops, from which it appears that nine crops were worth to the farmers \$2,275,116,372 in 1900, an increase of \$248, 439,298 over 1899. The increase is over 13 per cent. In round figures the increase over 1899 were as follows: Corn, \$127,-900,000; wheat, \$46,000,000; buckwheat \$1,000,000; hay, \$28,000,000; cotton, \$73,000, 000. The decreases were: Oats, \$20,000,000 rye, \$1,000,000; barley and potatoes, each \$3,000,000.

"It is not to be supposed," explains the New York Journal of Commerce, "that this sum of money has passed into the hands of farmers, for the greater part of the corn and hay, and a substantial part of some of the other crops, was consumed on the farm. But the value of the crop to the farmer is not impaired by the fact that he can use it at home. Of these nine crops much the largest value was represented in 1900 by corn, followed after a long interval by hay, then after com-paratively small intervals by cotton and wheat, and this after long intervals by oats and potatoes. The other three crop in the aggregate reach only one-half the value of the potatoes."

The Roanoke Times says:

"It is said in Washington that at the next session of the Virginia Legislature an amendment to the present separate car law will be introduced, making the measure applicable to all kinds of stree railways. It is earnestly to be hoped that no such foolish amendment will be sought. The street railways of the State are not in the business for the fun of i and are, therefore, giving the best service they can. It is to their interest to give good service. With such an imposition as this apon them, the result will be that the service will have to be doubled, of that the public of both races will have that the paid to the service it now enjoys. With a railroad it is different and the law was complied with, with not great deal of inconvenience. If the Legislature does this thing it will be fol-owing an unwise and uncalled for course that will do incalculable harm to the street railway interests of the State We have seen no occasion in Virginia or separate cars on the street railway nes, and we do not believe that there is any general demand on the part of the whites for such a measure.

AFTERMATH.

it is said that the increased valuation of real estate in New York this year will between \$75,000,000 and \$100,000,000, while ne assessed valuation on personal prop-erty is about \$2,000,000,000 higher than for-

S. T. Everet has resigned as director of he Union National Bank of Cleveland, onio, of which Senator Hanna is presient. He and Mr. Hanna have not been on friendly terms for several years, or since Mr. Everet supported some of Mr. danna's political opponents.

Frank R. Childs, of Hartford, Conn. was married some time ago to his mother-in-law, who is about ten years his senior. The wife has since lost her mind and is now confined in an asylum for the insane. The husband is as sane as ne was when he married.

. . . The famous Escuadra gold mine, sitnated near Oactlan, State of Oaxaca, Mexico, has just been sold to New York city parties for \$3,500,000. J. Sloat Fasett is said to be one of the purchasers. The mine is enormously rich.

. . .

Here are some specimens of childish humor from The Chicago News: "Oh, mamma!" exclaimed four-year-old Flossie, as she observed the moon in its sec-ond quarter, "come and look at the moon half of it is pushed into the sky and the other half is sticking out." Tommy, aged ive, had been busy whittling, and managed to raise a blister on his hand which caused a slight break in the skin. Running to his mother, he showed it to her, and said: "Mamma, I guess I'm beginning to wear out." "Did they sing any pretty songs at Sunday-school?" asked a mother of her little four-year-old daughmother of her little four-year-old daugh ter upon her return home. "Only one," replied the little miss. "It was something about Greenland's ice cream mountains." Papa—Well, Willie, have you been a good boy to-day? Small Willie—Did you ask mamma? Why should I ask her? Don't you know whether you have been good or not? Yes, but mamma's idea of goodness differs from mine, and I don't want to go back on anything she says.

Road in Bad Condition,

Editor of The Times: Sir,-Wishing to make a complaint, and not knowing quite whom to complain to, perhaps you will kindly publish the fol-

the city limits for some miles. Not of the road itself (which, by th way, is no better than it ought to be), but of dead horses, broken wagons, dead chickens and other disagreeable things along th and other disagreeable things along side. Last month a dead horse remained in the road for nearly a week; at present there is a broken down wagon in the road, and has been there for a week with wheels in the air, quite enough to with wheels in the air, quite enough to frighten a horse, especially a young one, and to-day when riding with a gentleman we came to a pile of garbage. His horse shied and threw him violently to the road. Now, as I drive to Richmond every day along this road, I am anxious to discover whose business it is to remove these dangerous and offensive object from the road, in order to avoid accidents from frightened horses, as the above, or even worse. above, or even worse.

M. M. BLACKER.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 5th, 1991.

Unsonght Advice.

A wise man stopped, one day, to give A fool advice, and high Above their heads a builder worked, And let a hammer fly!

The fool had asked for no advice, He tried to get away.
But the wise man had him buttonholed,
And so he had to stay!

The hammer tumbled through the air And struck the sage's head: The fool looked at the corpse awhile And "Gosh!" was all he said.

And then he sauntered on his way, As foolish as before, And thought of that wise man and of His good advice no more!

MORAL The man who gives advice to fools Against their wish or will Too oft escapes the hammer and Advises others still

The Only Way.

Chicago Times-Herald

"There's only one way to capture De

wet." "How's that?" "Send a regiment of amateur kodal dends after him."—Ohlo State Journal.

Variety.

"Variety," said the man who never thinks for himself, "is the spice of life." "I envy you," said Miss Cayenne. "You envy me what?" "Your enjoyment of this climate."— Washington Star.

One Instance.

"Thomas," said the teacher of the class in physiology, "can you give a familia. instance to adapt itself to changed condi "Yes'm," responded Tommy Tucket

"My Aunt Abigail gained a hundred pounds in flesh in less 'n a year, an' he, skin didn't crack a particle."—Chicago

Nothing New. Sappington-Your sister looks sweet

Little Rodney-She does eat.-Judge.

Identified.

Lady Tourist (doing the Cathedral o Scotland)—This is Gothie, isn't it, John? Juvenile Vendor of "Guides" (Severely No, mem; this is Presbyterian.—Londor

Earning His Money.

The Fair Sitter—Won't you please ideal-ize me a little, Mr. Dauber? The Great Artist—Yes, I'll fix you up so your own mother won't know you.—Chi-

Not the Real shing,

"Bah!" exclaimed the Prospective Pur-chaser to the Expectant Bookdealer.

Being asked for an explanation of his ciaculation, he said:
"You call this book a Collection of Portraits of One Hundred Authors. Why only three in the bunch have their head seatlone.

only three in the other hands, with a ro-resting on their right hands, with a ro-of manuscript in the left."

Saying "Bah!" again, with the con-scious air of one who has uncartied a fraud, he left the shop in high dudgeon. Baltimore American.

Not Quite Ready.

"I don't hear you crying loudly for re "No: there are some of the sights a mayen't seen yet."—Chicago Post.

ROANOKE POLICE COURT.

Why Mary Hoofed It and the Nigge That Killed a Man.

"Glt out a-here, Mary Ann Sanders Mrs. Smith, colored, arrived home from an errand and found Mary Ann perched on her bed. Her feelings regarding her u st are best expressed by the words of her greeting. "I'll git out," suid Mary, Your son sent for me an' you tell him i he wants to see me he kin come to

he wants to see me he kin come to my house an' see me. I wants you"—"Ho. on, right whar' you is an' let me tell you dat I ain't no messenger boy." "Come out in de street," said Mary Ann.
"Come out whar I kin rake you," and she bolted out on the pavement an squared off in true puglistic attitude. Mrž. Smith, who is a diminutive, dried up old woman of probably 69 years, denot follow immediately, but by the time Mary had in'shed her harangue on the demerits of the Smith Family, Mrs. erits of the Smith Family, Mrs demerits of the Smith Family. Mrs Smith appeared at the door with a bla-gun in her hand, and outraged dignity firing her eyes: "Hoof bt up, Mary Am Sanders, hoof it up," said she. There were other things she said, but no mat-ter. Mary looked at the big gun and "hoofed it." The trial in police court re-sulted in a time of \$2.50 on Mary Am.

"hoofed it," The trial in police court re-sulted in a fine of \$2.50 on Mary Ann.
"Don't you hit me, nigger. Don't yo do it, I killed er man once. Stand back or I'll have you lookin like er almana, picture. Go on away now. Go on away killed er man once." Sam and Joe, each very colored, were about to mix up. At least Sam was going to do the mixing and Joe was giving him the scare abou killing a man once. This proved futile, however, for Sam chewed Joe's ear ou of all 'semblance of its or'ginal shape. Both were fined \$2.50 for fighting. "Yes, sir, jedge, I seed em fighting," said an old negro man, who was witness in one of the cases, "and I warned 'em,

in one of the cises, and I warred enjedge. Drap it, I sez, drap it, fost thing you know you'll be settin' up hind then bars. Dey was mixin right, jedge. I heard Sam say, 'I wish I had er jaw like er ice hook, I'd never turn yer loose, and Joe sez: 'Git up offen me, Sam, killed er man in West Virginia ence Den Sam got er grip on Joe's ear and I heard Joe heller, 'Pu'l 'im off,' den I knowed dat man what Joe iz always talkin bout what he klit in West Virginia was restin easy in his grave. Yes, sah I claims my tendance, fer I needs de money."—Roanoke Times.

PETER SANTHER ALIVE.

Writes from Columbia, S. C., and Sends His Photograph.

No longer is there any mystery regarding the whereabouts of Peter Santher, the Greek confectioner, formerly of this city, and who was reported to have been murdered by his partner, Politz, in Huntington, W. Va., last summer. Officer Birney vesterday received mer. Officer Rigney yesterday received a letter from Santher, who was in Columbia, S. C., and engaged in business there. He sent his photograph, which had just been taken, thus dissipating any doubt as to the identity of the writer He sent a box of cigars to the office and his regards to his brother-in-law Samuel Boitnott. He says he is well and weighs 180 pounds. Mrs. Santher has resided here for a long time until recently, when she moved to Radford.

At the time of the murder in West

Virginia is was reported here that the lead man, whose hame was Santos, was santher, and her brother went out to funtington at the time of the trial of olitz, who confessed his crame, but the vidence did not clear up at the time shether or not it was Santher who had been killed. Now it is clearly shown that Santher is still alive and from his letter. n prosperous circumstances. The photo raph was such a good likeness that there an be no mistake regarding the original. From the letter Santher is ignorant of the sensation he has figured in and doubtess has not heard of the murder in West Virginia, in which, for a long time, he as thought to have been the victim. He was engaged in business here for everal years, but financial embarras nent necessitated his leaving, and his whereabouts has been a mystery for ome months. He was popular here, and and many friends and acquaintances who vill be glad to know of his welfare.-

GOOD GOVERNOR TIMBER.

loanoke Times.

Mr. Ellyson Would Make a Good One. Colonel Buford Talked Of.

People who know Hon. J. Taylor Eily-on intimately think he would make a good Governor. He is quiet and unassuming, has good executive ability and the onfidence of those who know him best. Being a Richmond man is supposed to have hundicapped him considerably, and being at the head of the party for so many years, as State chairman, operated also against him. The people of the State justly entertain very kindly feelings towards him.—Staunton News.

Colonel A. S. Buford, who has been out on his farm, near Buford, Va., several days, returned to the city yesterday af-ternoon and left for Richmond last night. While at the Burton last night, several friends suggested to Colonel Buford the prepriety of his becoming Richmond's canfor Gubernatorial honors since Major Ellyson had declined to stand for

nomination. Colonel Buford said in reply "that he had just seen in the papers that Major Ellyson had declined to be a candidate, but hat he had not given his own candidacy any thought. That there was a time when he was very anxious to achieve that great honor and would have been willing to make personal sacrifice for it, but of late

bad entertained no such ambition. Colonel Buford has many warm and life-ong friends in this city, his old home, to whom it would be most gratifying to see him occupying the executive chair of the Commonwealth.-Danville Register.

Deadly Toy Pistol.

Lillie B. Baker (colored) lies dead at No. 324 North Union Street, where she ex-pired this morning at about 7:30 o'clock. Lillie is the victim of the deadly toy paper cap, from wounds by which, generating blood poisoning, large numbers die yearly. Her cousin, John Oliver, found a way to make the dangerous toy more deadly, he put a 22 calibre bullet in the muzzle of the pistol and a cap in the breech, which breech is formed like a drop-block 6 pounder rided cannon of the drop-block 6 pounder rifled cannon of the naval type. There was not strength nough in the trigger to pull the ham-mer down on the cap with force enough to explode the cap, so as the block pin was loose he took the stove lifter and pounded it. It exploded when he wasn't expecting it of course, and his cousin was just entering the room from the kitchen. Of course she stopped the buikitchen. Of course she stopped the bui-let, some one has to, and this bullet, carce as large as a pea, penetrated the Chursday at 4:30 P. M.

She is dead and will be buried and the toy pistol is lying on the mantel for some one else to experiment with.—The

IT CURED HIM

and will cure you. He had rheumatism and writes us: "You sold me a bottle of and will cure you. He had rheumatism and writes us: "You sold me a bottle of our Dixle Nerve and Bone Liniment, which I used freely, rubbing vigorously with it that night, and was most agreenly surprised when on getting up the next norning to find the rheumatism entirely ured, and my arm perfectly well. I old the above to a friend suffering in he same way and he tried your "Dixle serve and Bone Liniment" and was speed-youred."

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Nixon Admits Blackmail, but Defends Tammany.

GRAND BALL AT ASTOR MANSION.

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Automobiles to Be Made.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8 .- Formal announce ment was made yesterday by Lewis Nixon, as chairman of the Tammany Anti-Vice Committee, that there exists in this city an organization of men known as the "combine," that successfully levies systematic blackmail. The "combine," Mr. Nixon said, pretend to pay to Tammany Hall the money collected for the protection it is supposed to furnish in

its name.
This announcement was read by Mr. Nixon at an open meeting of the com-mittee, which had previously indorsed it Mr. Nixon possesses evidence on which he expects to convict men who have enriched themselves by extortion.

enriched themselves by extortion.

Defending Tammany Hall and Richard Croker, the statement read by Mr. Nixon ends with the denial that a cent of the blood money was paid to Tammany Hall or reached Mr. Croker's pocket.

When Mr. Nixon's action became known, the impression prevailed that Tammany was preparing to sacrifice several of its best beloved sons to appeare public indignation. Indictments are to be

eral of its dest deloved some to appear public indignation. Indictments are to be demanded, and men who have thought themselves above punishment may be called upon to defend themselves.

MUCH IMPROVED.

MUCH IMPROVED.

Henry W. Beerman and John Raney, the aged men seeking restoration of strength through the glycero-phosphate of sodium treatment, yesterday showed marked signs of improvement. Both took advantage of the pleasant weather to take a stroll, and life took on added in-terest for each of them. This double test of the treatment by

This double test of the treatment by which Dr. Robin so greatly aided former Mayor Abram S. Hewitt is attracting more attention every day from New York physicians who are familiar with the experiment. The fact that Beerman is eighty-three years old and that Raney is near the allotted three score and ten has increased the interest of all in the cases MOST REFRESHING SLEEP

Ranky awoke yesterday morning from the most beneficial sleep he has had in many a day. He retired at 10 o'clock on Sunday night, and it was 7 o'clock yester-day morning before he awoke. He can-not remember the last previous occasion on which he had slept nine hours without a break. He gives other evidences of improvement, and frankly tells inquired that he is "felling good" now. Beerman, who thus far has not shown

so marked an improvement as Raney complained again yesterday of the p in his bones about which he told his in its bones about which he tout his pay-slein on Sunday. These pains, the phy-sleian in charge of the case said, were less propounced man on the first day, and he attributed them to the treatment. He added that the pains probably would cease in a few days.

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Raney, after a hearty breakfast, decided that he felt equal to a morning constitutional, and took a stort walk with the physician. That increased his appetite and his interest in affairs. He later ate the heartlest dinner he has taken for many weeks.

CRAZY ABOUT VICE.

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Valentine Schlader, Jr., eighteen years old, of No. 1123 East 150th Street, was arraigned before Magistrate Olmsted in the Yorkville Police Court yesterday morning, charged with insanity. He was arrested at Third Avenue and Sixty-fith Street Sunday afternoon, while riding a large white horse on the sidewalk, much to the consternation of prasersby, and

large white horse on the sidewalk, much to the consternation of paseersby, and shouting "Down with vice!" "To hwith Richard Croker!"

Policeman McGuire, of the East Sixty-seventh Street Station, said Schlaefer told his sergeant that he was commissioned to stop all the vice in the city and to kill Richard Croker.

"I have visited all the divis. McGuirk's as well as the others," the prisoner told Magistrate Olmsted. "I believe McGurk is almost as bad as Croker. I went down to see just what kind of a place McGurk's was and how the people get along. It vas and how the people get along. I is a miserable life. No wonder the vice committees were formed. I know the places all along the Bowery. I am going to stop them all as long as I have life." He was committed to Bellevue Hospita

APPEAL FOR COLUMBIA. To enable Columbia University to pay the interest on its floating debt for the current year an appeal for 862,000 was made yesterday at the monthly meeting made yesterday at the monthly meeting of its trustees. Columbia annually has to pay \$100,000 interest upon the amount remaining from the cost and development of the property at Morningside Heights. ncluding President Low and the trustees have already pledged \$35,000, and for the rest, Preident Low says, "the University confidently turns to the citizens of New York, who value the things for which Columbia University stands in this me-

ropolitan city." Moving Columbia to Morningside and ubsequent improvements cost \$7,982.5 Of this the University has paid \$4,250,000 mostly out of gifts and legacies. Of this outstanding debt the sum of \$750,000 to provided for. It still owes \$3,000,000, upon which the annual interest in \$98,500.

PROFITABLE MOVE. President Low says that eight year from now the University will be able, by he increase of income from its fees an ndowments, to care for its floating deb without embarrassment to its educational work. The problem of the University therefore, is to continue its educational work for eight years without curtailmen

of its resources for that purpose. President Low said that purely from business point of view the moving of th University to its present site had bee profitable. Its plant had increased it value \$5,000,000. In addition University Hall is now being enlarged by gift, and Earl Hall, the \$100,000 gift of William Earl Dodge, is about to be creeted. The trust funds of the University have been nereased by \$1,250,000, the library ha grown from 120,000 to nearly 500,000 volumes, the teaching force from 226 to 56 and the students in the college and schools of law and applied sciences from 564 to 2,560.

The trustees also formally announced the gift of \$50,000 from the late Henry Villard.

EDISON IN CONTEMPT Thomas A. Edison, Jr., is in contempt of court for having failed to comply with the terms of a judgment directing him to turn over to William McMahon corpo ration stock to the par value of \$100,000 His protest that he has not the stock ha proved unavailing.

Mr. McMahon brought suit in the Su-

preme Court to obtain possession of the stock. No answer was interposed, and he obtained judgment for the entire amount. William Holzer, who was sue jointly with Mr. Edison, was in Europe Mr. McMahon says Mr. Edison and

Mr. Holzer called at his office in Cort landt Street, in February, 1898, with ref erence to an invention for treating met als. They told him that they had made great discovery, and asked him to assist them in raising the necessary capital promising to give him a one-half interest if he succeeded.

Mr. McMahon arranged to have the process tested by the Bethlehem, Pa. Steel Works. The experts reported that

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t was the best steel process in existence. Mr. McMahon took Mr. Edison and Mr. Holzer to Poughkeepsie and had interviews with Mayor Vail and other residents, who were anxious to find a plant which could be put to immediate use.

Mr. McMahon advanced money for the

preliminary expenses and induced Frank-lin D. Palmer, of Poughkeepsie, to put up \$900, Arrangements were then made to incorporate the company under the laws of West Virginia, with a capital stock of \$1,000,000. It was decided to retain \$200,000 of the stock in the company's treasury, deducting \$100,000 from the proter's share, leaving young Edis \$400,000.

them. The concern was called the Thos.
A. Edison, Jr., and William Holzer Steel

of New York society, it was a brilliant gathering and representative of od New York and of the metropolitan society that holds sway at this beginning of a new century,
Mrs. Astor, perhaps better than many

THE DECORATIONS.

The Astor mansion, No. 82 Fifth Avenue, is so elegant that decoration by the hands of even the most skirul of horists only adds an incident of hands are betail. The hostess, who wore a sit, a gown of black velvet, embrodered with sliver, and beautiful ornaments of damonds at the corsage, received har girsts in the Lauis XV drawingsroom, the one in the Louis XV, drawing-room, the

which is of a more someter tone, certify in black and gold, with panels of tapestry, was brightened up with missis of red, white and pink roses.

There was rather a bolder effect of Jecoration in the wide marks half, where

decoration in the wide marble hall, where there were pyramids of bright colored flowers and towering palms. Azil as in full bloom gave a decided brightness to this part of the house.

It was not until after eleven o'clock that Mrs. Astor's guests began to nesemble. After paying their respects to the hostess, the ball-room, which is also the picture gallery of the touse, was sought out and here deciding was general.

ENDURANCE TEST.

To win public confidence in the relicie a public demonstration of by and reliability is to be made a Automobile Club of America. The acter of the demonstration will be us to command attention wherever et carriages are in use. It will be endurance test that will be begin New York city and be finished in all

falo.

This was decided upon resterial by the Technical and Confest Committee of the club at a meeting held in the other of the president, Mr. A. R. Shattuck. Committee of the president of the committee of the president of the committee of the president of the committee of the

Patrick County Tragedies Xmas opened up with a shooting an cilling at the "old furnace." Tom Fosle was shot and killed by Marshall Hai-

raised in this vicinity, attacked the home of John Fretwell in Henry county, mak-ng threats of violence. Fretwell met ing threats of violence. Fretwell met him at the door and promptly burst his skull with an axe. He was not dead when last heard from -Patrick Enter

Section-House Burned. A. L.'s new section house at "West ster" was completely destroyed by the last Friday about 2 P. M. It is said that the fire started by logs which were eft burning rolling down on the floor. also rumored that the section hands

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00. . McMahon asserts that Mr. Edison and Holzer signed the certificate of in-corporation and the stock was issued to

and Iron Process Company.

THE ASTOR BALL.

The ball given by Mrs. Astor was the all absorbing event of reciety last evening in New York and, like all entertainments given by this acknowledged leader (New York seciety it was a building.

others, knows how to bring together just the right sort of people, therefore every-thing else is put aside to attend a ball at her superb home. For this reason are opera was unusually brilliant, the greater proportion of the guests first putting in an appearance at the Metropolitan and then going on to Mrs. Astor's.

THE DECORATIONS.

decorations of which, asine from the bena-tiful tapestries and white and gold walls, consisted of orthids. The dining-room, which is of a more sombre tone.

sought out, and here darking was general urtil a half hour after midoigh and gallry is hong with paintings by femous masters, which did not, it may be adden passant, in the least detract by comfrom the beauty of the womb

Messrs, Cornelius J. Field, in Credit in A. L. Riker, Dr. S. S. Wheeler, Professor Trurstan and Midcolm W. Port. "This must not be a spend test, but at endurance test," said the chaltman We must prove to the public that an absorbed can go a given distance and and there without breaking down, and bu speed be a secondary consideration.

ston, colored. Immediately some one supposed to be Foster's friend, emple-it shotgun into the negro's side. The negro is not dead, and may recover. If but distilleries and reporting is said to be the cause of the newly-made blotch in Patrick's record. We learn that Taylor Graveley, a negre-

all colored, had \$90 in money in the burned building.—Manchester Chronicle